

Remarks

The amendments are fully supported by the specification. No new matter is added.

The specification of the prior application US application 09/748343 has been amended to conform with the Sequence Rules, namely, to reference the sequence listings that are set forth in the "Sequence Listing" by use of the assigned identifier and to include the information required under US practice on the front page of the Sequence Listing.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 (g), the amendments to the application do not add any new matter. Support for the Sequence Listing can be found at, for example, Figure 1 and Table 2 of the present application.

In view of this preliminary amendment, the Applicants believe the claims presented herein are allowable. Entry of this amendment and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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